

### **REMARKS**

This responds to the Office Action mailed on May 11, 2009.

Claims 1, 10, and 17 are amended; claims 21 and 25-34 were previously canceled, without prejudice to or disclaimer by the Applicant; as a result, claims 1-20 and 22-24 are now pending in this application.

Example support for the claim amendments may be found throughout the original filed specification. By way of example only, the Examiner's attention is directed to the original filed specification page 8 lines 18-22 and page 18 lines 1-7.

### *§ 103 Rejection of the Claims*

Claims 1 and 2 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Xiong (U.S. 7,096,490) in view of Gabber (U.S. 5,961,593) and further in view of Selvarajan (U.S. 2002/0032649) and further in view of Rowland (U.S. 6,405,318). To sustain and obviousness rejection each and every element in the rejected claims must be taught or suggested in the proposed combination of references.

Here, the proposed combination fails to teach or suggest any notion of temporary assigned identity information that "is deterministically generated using combinations of memory addresses, hash values, and table index values . . . ." There is no suggestion of this combination of values that are used to generate temporary identities in the proposed combination.

Moreover, the proposed combination does not teach or show that the temporary identity information expires when a communication session is terminated. The learned Examiner has relied on Selvarajan for teaching that the identity expires after a preset time period. But, termination when a session expires is not tied to a preset time and in fact in theory could be infinite. Selvarajan simply does not teach or suggest that the identity expires when a session is terminated. Furthermore, the other references in the combination fail to teach or suggest this element.

As such, the proposed combination fails to teach or suggest each and every element of amended independent claim 1. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that the learned Examiner remove the rejections of record and allow claims 1 and 2.

Claims 3-9 were also rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Xiong in view of Gabber, further in view of Selvarajan, further in view of Rowland and further in view of Gupta (U.S. (U.S. 6,868,448). These claims are dependent from amended independent claim 1; thus, by virtue of the dependency of claims 3-9 on amended independent claim 1 and by virtue of the amendments and remarks presented above with respect to claim 1, the rejection of claims 3-9 should be withdrawn and these claims allowed. Applicant respectfully requests an indication of the same from the learned Examiner.

Claims 10-20 and 22-24 were also rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Xiong in view of Gabber, further in view of Selvarajan, further in view of Rowland, further in view of Gupta and further in view of “Examiner Official Notice.” Again, obviousness requires that each and every element in the rejected claims be taught or suggested in the proposed combination of references.

Initially, Applicant respectfully traverses the Office Notice asserted by the Examiner. Specifically, it maybe that the art shows construction of identities from some information of a user but not what is now claimed in amended independent claims 10 and 17. Therefore, this Official Notice is not a valid rejection at this point in time.

The proposed combination does not teach or suggest that temporary assigned identity information “is deterministically generated using combinations of memory addresses, hash values, and table index values . . .”

Also, Selvarajan specifically sets a timer on when the identity expires and does not permit the identity to expire when a session expires. The remaining references also do not teach or suggest this element.

Consequently, the proposed combination of references fails to teach or suggest each and every element of amended independent claims 10 and 17. As such, Applicant respectfully requests that the learned Examiner remove the rejections of record and allow claims 10 and 17 along with their dependent claims.

*Reservation of Rights*

In the interest of clarity and brevity, Applicant may not have equally addressed every assertion made in the Office Action, however, this does not constitute any admission or acquiescence. Applicant reserves all rights not exercised in connection with this response, such as the right to challenge or rebut any tacit or explicit characterization of any reference or of any of the present claims, the right to challenge or rebut any asserted factual or legal basis of any of the rejections, the right to swear behind any cited reference such as provided under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 or otherwise, or the right to assert co-ownership of any cited reference. Applicant does not admit that any of the cited references or any other references of record is relevant to the present claims, or that they constitute prior art. To the extent that any rejection or assertion is based upon the Examiner's personal knowledge, rather than any objective evidence of record as manifested by a cited prior art reference, Applicant timely objects to such reliance on Official Notice, and reserves all rights to request that the Examiner provide a reference or affidavit in support of such assertion, as required by MPEP § 2144.03. Applicant reserves all rights to pursue any cancelled claims in a subsequent patent application claiming the benefit of priority of the present patent application, and to request rejoinder of any withdrawn claim, as required by MPEP § 821.04.

**CONCLUSION**

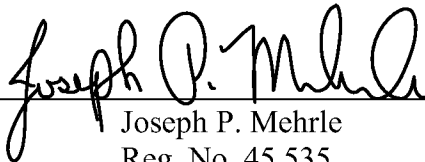
Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's representative at (513) 942-0224 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or deficiencies, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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